

Table 1.8

## U.S. Court of Appeals. Appeals Commenced, Terminated, and Pending (Excludes Federal Circuit)

| Fiscal Year | Cases Commenced |          |          | Cases Terminated |                                    |                         |                    |                            |                            |        |        |     | Cases Pending |
|-------------|-----------------|----------|----------|------------------|------------------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|--------|--------|-----|---------------|
|             |                 |          |          | Total            | Cases Disposed of by Consolidation | Procedural Terminations |                    |                            | Terminations on the Merits |        |        |     |               |
|             | Total           | By Judge | By Staff |                  |                                    | Total                   | After Oral Hearing | After Submission on Briefs |                            |        |        |     |               |
|             |                 |          |          |                  |                                    |                         |                    | Number                     | Percent                    |        |        |     |               |
| 1988        | 38,345          | 37,846   | 499      | 36,497           | 2,775                              | 14,745                  | 6,069              | 8,676                      | 18,977                     | 9,692  | 9,285  | 49% | 28,393        |
| 1989        | 39,927          | 39,422   | 505      | 37,652           | 2,910                              | 14,551                  | 5,806              | 8,745                      | 20,191                     | 9,744  | 10,447 | 52% | 30,674        |
| 1990        | 40,893          | 40,267   | 626      | 38,961           | 3,849                              | 14,090                  | 5,598              | 8,492                      | 21,022                     | 9,479  | 11,543 | 55% | 32,589        |
| 1991        | 43,027          | 42,414   | 613      | 41,640           | 3,757                              | 14,862                  | 5,471              | 9,391                      | 23,021                     | 10,231 | 12,790 | 56% | 33,455        |
| 1992        | 47,013          | 46,353   | 660      | 44,373           | 4,007                              | 16,769                  | 6,122              | 10,647                     | 23,597                     | 10,362 | 13,235 | 56% | 36,068        |
| 1993        | 50,224          | 49,511   | 713      | 47,790           | 3,607                              | 18,422                  | 6,495              | 11,927                     | 25,761                     | 10,222 | 15,539 | 60% | 38,233        |
| 1994        | 48,322          | 47,529   | 793      | 49,184           | 3,816                              | 18,149                  | 6,602              | 11,547                     | 27,219                     | 11,047 | 16,172 | 59% | 37,294        |
| 1995        | 50,072          | 49,184   | 888      | 49,805           | 3,177                              | 18,856                  | 6,817              | 12,039                     | 27,772                     | 11,080 | 16,692 | 60% | 37,536        |
| 1996        | 51,991          | 50,971   | 1,020    | 50,413           | 2,998                              | 20,089                  | 7,131              | 12,958                     | 27,326                     | 10,588 | 16,738 | 61% | 38,888        |
| 1997        | 52,319          | 51,088   | 1,231    | 51,194           | 3,038                              | 22,316                  | 8,729              | 13,587                     | 25,840                     | 10,357 | 15,483 | 60% | 39,899        |
| 1998        | 53,805          | 52,592   | 1,213    | 52,002           | 2,986                              | 24,106                  | 10,661             | 13,445                     | 24,910                     | 10,215 | 14,695 | 59% | 41,649        |
| 1999        | 54,693          | 53,415   | 1,278    | 54,088           | 2,651                              | 24,710                  | 10,915             | 13,795                     | 26,727                     | 9,924  | 16,803 | 63% | 42,271        |
| 2000        | 54,697          | 53,385   | 1,312    | 56,512           | 2,740                              | 26,256                  | 12,330             | 13,926                     | 27,516                     | 9,752  | 17,764 | 65% | 40,410        |
| 2001        | 57,464          | 56,117   | 1,347    | 57,422           | 2,797                              | 25,785                  | 11,761             | 14,024                     | 28,840                     | 9,315  | 19,525 | 68% | 40,303        |
| 2002        | 57,555          | 56,258   | 1,297    | 56,586           | 2,721                              | 26,107                  | 12,649             | 13,458                     | 27,758                     | 9,146  | 18,612 | 67% | 40,965        |
| 2003        | 60,847          | 59,538   | 1,309    | 56,396           | 2,108                              | 27,279                  | 13,344             | 13,935                     | 27,009                     | 8,791  | 18,218 | 67% | 44,600        |

\*Includes proceedings not dependent on prior action by lower court or administrative agency (e.g. writs of mandamus, motions to file successive habeas petitions). The Antiterrorism and Effective Death Penalty Act, enacted April 1996, requires prisoners to seek permission from courts of appeals for certain petitions. Data for these types of original proceedings were first reported on October 1, 1998.

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